

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please replace the pending claims with the following claim listing:

1. **(Currently Amended)** Electrical equipment comprising a sealed chamber in which an electrical appliance is housed, and a multi-stage breather filter is attached to the sealed chamber, the filter comprising a filter housing to define an airflow passageway, the passageway including a series of filter stages separate from each other, the filter stages including:
 - a) a porous membrane
 - b) activated carbon, and
 - c) silica gel,whereby in use heat generated by the electrical appliance causes air flow through the filter and also dries moisture collected by the filter.

2. **(Cancelled)**

3. **(Currently Amended)** The electrical equipment according to claim [[2]] 1 wherein the passageway defines an air inlet at one end and an outlet at the other, the outlet being coupled to the electrical equipment sealed chamber.

4. **(Previously Presented)** The electrical equipment according to claim 1 wherein the electrical appliance is a light element.

5. **(Currently Amended)** The electrical equipment according to claim [[2]] 1 wherein the porous membrane is fabricated from PTFE.

6. **(Currently Amended)** The electrical equipment according to claim [[5]] 3 wherein the porous membrane is positioned adjacent the air inlet with the silica gel being positioned adjacent the outlet of the filter air inlet, the silica gel is positioned adjacent the outlet, and the activated carbon is positioned between the porous membrane and the silica gel.

7. **(Currently Amended)** The electrical equipment according to claim [[2]] 1 wherein the electrical appliance is a light element.

8. **(Previously Presented)** The electrical equipment according to claim 3 wherein the electrical appliance is a light element.

9. **(Previously Presented)** The electrical equipment according to claim 3 wherein the porous membrane is fabricated from PTFE.

10. **(Previously Presented)** The electrical equipment according to claim 4 wherein the porous membrane is fabricated from PTFE.

11. **(New)** The electrical equipment according to claim 1 wherein the filter stages are designed to minimize pressure differentials and ensure low resistance to air flow.

12. **(New)** An apparatus comprising:

- a sealed chamber configured to house an electrical appliance;
- a multi-stage breather filter attached to the sealed chamber, the breather filter comprising:
 - a housing that bounds an airflow passageway; and
 - a plurality of filter stages disposed within the airflow passageway, the filter stages being separate from each other, the filter stages comprising the following separate stages:
 - a) a porous membrane,
 - b) activated carbon, and
 - c) silica gel.

13. **(New)** An electrical device comprising:

- an apparatus according to claim 1; and
- an electrical appliance disposed within the sealed chamber.

14. **(New)** The electrical device according to claim 13, wherein the electrical appliance comprises a light element.

15. **(New)** The electrical device according to claim 13, wherein the electrical device comprises a vehicle headlight.